

**PATENT**

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 23, 2008, with the three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 23, 2008, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and/or remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.